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1. During recent maneuvers along the Rumanian-Yugoslav frontier Rumanian troops under Soviet command engaged in exercises with tanks and aircraft approximately thirteen kilometers from the Yugoslav frontier town of Prahovo. The local Yugoslav authorities assumed that the Rumanian force was preparing to attack and secured authorization from Belgrade to open fire. Five Rumanian frontier guards were killed and eleven Yugoslavs were wounded in the ensuing incident. The Yugoslav Government has suppressed publicity of this incident to avoid protests by the Soviet Government.

2. The Yugoslav Government is making maximum efforts to prepare for a prolonged defensive action. It hopes to equip selected members of the Yugoslav Communist Party with weapons [redacted] women have been ordered drafted for training. 50X1-HUM

3. It is reported that the Soviet authorities have ordered fifteen submarines and two bomber and one reconnaissance aircraft squadrons to the Albanian Adriatic Coast. The Albanians have detailed a large number of prisoners and forced laborers to build submarine berths and airfields.

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